

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yuji YASUI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2862

Application No.: 10/697,796

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For: A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING AN AMOUNT OF DRAWN AIR OF A CYLINDER OF AN INTERNAL-COMBUSTION ENGINE AND

A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE AMOUNT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 30, 2004

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This Preliminary Amendment complies with the amendment format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.

Remarks are submitted on page 3.